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#### Around the Police Station

Frank McIntyre of F. A. Schaefer & Co., is the latest victim of the uninterrupted burglar, and he is now minus his handsome diamond pin, cuff links and a purse of money. While the supervisors were listening to the "roast" letter of Tom Burningham directed at Chief of Detectives Kalakiela last Friday evening, Frank was visited at his home in Nuuanu by the burglar, only Frank didn't know about it then. When he awoke yesterday morning he also awoke to the fact that his sparkler and other trinkets were missing. The burglar had gained entrance to the house from the rear and invaded Frank's bedroom. Frank was undecided yesterday morning whether to report the loss to the detective bureau, but was advised by Tom Burningham that he should at least leave a record of the matter at the police station. Mr. Burningham felt that Frank owed it to the public to have the matter recorded, although he has little hope that the burglar will ever be caught or the stolen property recovered. Mr. McIntyre had a standing joke with the police with his "Got a clue?" query every morning, which will now have a real meaning.

On Wednesday the Paty residence up Nuuanu way was entered during the afternoon and \$13 were stolen. Some of the Nuuanu residents had noticed a young man of dark complexion hanging around the neighborhood for several days, and remarked about it before the Paty and McIntyre robberies took place.

#### The Burningham Case.

Tom Burningham's letter to the Board of Supervisors in regard to the poor detective work being done by the detective force of the police department was scathing. Mr. Burningham asked the Board of Supervisors to investigate the whole occurrence. It is stated by Chief Kalakiela that, on the night that the robbery was reported to him, he sent out his detective force and patrolled the entire district. It is known that some of the officers made the Burningham section their headquarters for the night. The chief says that the patrolling force saw no suspicious characters.

The trouble with the department is that in the change of administrations that the only sleuth trackers were fired from the force. One of the best of the Asiatic detectives—Apana—was summarily dismissed because he was not in harmony with the new administration and because a vacancy was wanted for some one else. Despite all that was said against Apana and his alleged connection with gamblers, he was one of the best detectives the force has known. He knew every Chinese crook,

and almost every one of every other nationality here. He knew their habits of living, methods of doing criminal work, and could lay his hands on a man wanted in a short time. Another officer was keen in his knowledge of all classes of criminals. If a robbery or burglary was committed he was able to tell frequently from the method of breaking into the place just about who did the job. There were others on the force, during both the Brown and Iaukea administrations whose knowledge of criminals was invaluable to the safety of the community, but these were dismissed and their places filled with men without experience or initiative. One of these appointees is a self-confessed firebug.

#### The "Investigation" System.

It is said that Judge Humphreys intends to investigate the "investigation" system of arrests in vogue at the police station, in the damage suits he has instituted on behalf of John Borges against Deputy Sheriff Rose, Chief of Detectives Kalakiela and Assistant Chief Medeiros. During the raid headed by Deputy Sheriff Rose on the Akwai gambling resort on Beretania avenue last Sunday night, the officers were followed by a couple of Portuguese informers—Borges and Aylett. The Chinese after their arrest claimed that some articles had been stolen from the gambling rooms—a pair of shoes and a razor. The Chinese claimed the boys took the goods and they were arrested and held for "investigation." Aylett said he took the shoes and claimed that Borges took a razor. Judge Humphreys demanded the release of Borges and he was released and then followed the suit for damages for false imprisonment. The whole affair is very much mixed up, but at any rate the "investigation" system will be probed and the court asked to rule upon it.

#### Ho Tin, Policeman.

Times do change. Ho Tin, a Chinese who is a witness for the prosecution in the gambling case against thirty-five Chinese caught in Akwai's building, was on the stand the other day and told of his arresting somebody at the door. He was asked if he had a badge, and displayed one. He said he got it from Sheriff Jarrett several months ago. Deputy Sheriff Rose, who was on the stand before Ho Tin, said that Ho Tin had no badge or commission. The police station records show no record of Ho Tin having been given a badge, and he certainly has no commission. More than two years ago Ho Tin appeared as the principal witness against two Advertiser reporters in a perjured attempt to railroad them to jail to prevent them from unearthing any more gambling dens in which he and a number of influential Chinese were interested. His testimony was false, and so flagrant that Judge Andrade, then prosecuting attorney, refused to permit any further efforts to continue a case which was being carried on by manufactured evidence. With Ho Tin, of this record, and David

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Mannell a firebug, the police force has an interesting personnel.

#### Caught a Blind Pig.

W. P. Pennell, license inspector, raided a "blind pig" on Punchbowl last night, arresting M. de Ponte and taking possession of two barrels of wine, several flasks of "dago red" and gin, and demijohns of whisky, in fact, booze enough in general to give all Punchbowl a jag. The license inspector has been trying to land de Ponte for several months and last evening secured direct evidence in the way of a purchase of liquor.

On a small island off the Alaskan coast is a blue fox ranch, where animals are bred to produce rare furs. Started as an experiment, it is proving successful. In the fall of 1904 Harry Pryde, who was living at Juneau, Alaska, heard that a man living on an island near Juneau had secured a few blue foxes and had raised a small number of the animals. Knowing the scarcity of these animals and realizing the value of their fur, he believed that he saw an opening for a profitable venture and determined to raise blue foxes on a large scale for the fur market. Pryde at once made an investigation and selected Hound Island as a suitable site for such an enter-

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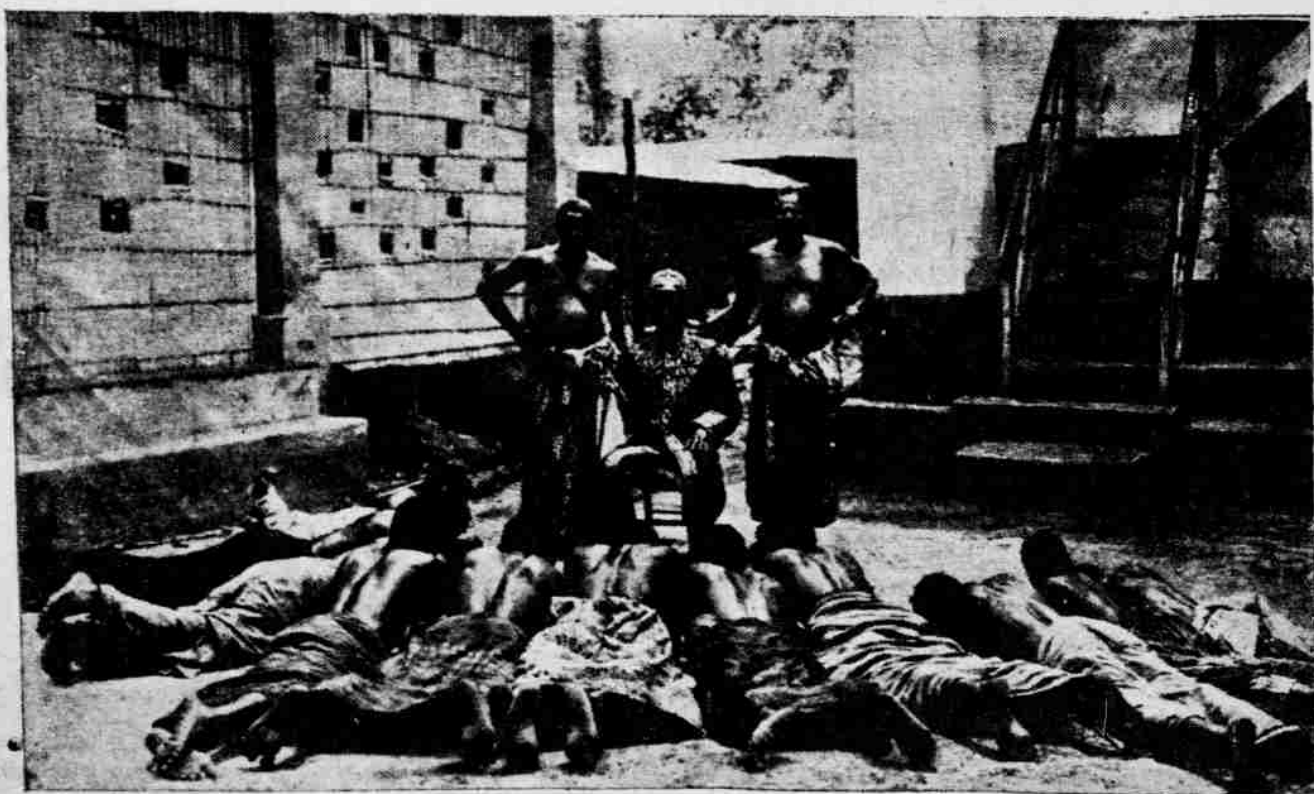
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prise. He then leased the island from the United States government for ninety-nine years. This island stands a short distance from Admiralty Island, on which Sitka, capital of Alaska, is situated, and five miles from the town of Kake, on Kupreanof Island, which is the nearest port. It contains about 800 acres at high tide and approximately 900 acres at low tide. It was in the fall of 1905 that Hound Island was stocked with twenty pairs of blue foxes. The next spring there were 110 young foxes on the island, and they have been increasing rapidly ever since. It is now estimated that there are from 1000 to 1400 foxes. A fine blue fox skin is worth not less than \$30.

Captain Seaver—This falling-off of recruits for the regular army is getting fierce. Major Weaver—I should say it was. Why, there isn't hardly enough men per regiment to do the work about the officers' quarters, to say nothing of shaving me and caring for the babies.—Puck.

She (on the Atlantic liner)—Did you observe the great appetite of that stout man at dinner? He—Yes; he must be what they call a stowaway.—Sacred Heart Review.

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